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SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Our check in the amount of \$ -0- is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary extension of time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to Deposit Account No. 50-1442. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a request is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated April 14, 2004, Applicants elect, albeit with traverse, Group II, Claims 12-19. In addition, as an elected species, Applicants elect, also with traverse, the species of the compound having the following formula (I) wherein K = 1 and L is a linker group containing an oxygen atom:

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(I)

wherein A, independently, = CH₃, CH₂CH₃, COH, COCH₃, COCH₂CH₃, CH₂COCH₃, CH₂COCH₃, C(CH₃)₂COCH₃, or C(CH₃)₂COCH₂CH₃; P = 1 or 2; and wherein J represents (i) a saturated or unsaturated, substituted or unsubstituted, straight or branched acyclic hydrocarbon group; (ii) a saturated or unsaturated, substituted or unsubstituted, straight or branched acyclic group containing hetero atoms such as nitrogen, sulfur or oxygen; (iii) a substituted or

unsubstituted, saturated or aromatic, mono- or poly- cyclic group having 3 to 20 carbon atoms; or (iv) a substituted or unsubstituted, saturated or aromatic, mono- or poly- heterocyclic group having 3 to 20 atoms, at least one of which is nitrogen, sulfur or oxygen.

Originally presented Claims 1-6, 9-21 and 23-25 and newly added Claims 26-34 (vide infra) read on the elected species.

In addition, entry of the following amendments is kindly requested.